

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the council of the R.M. of Willner, No. 253 held at the RM Office in Davidson, SK on Thursday, September 19, 2024 commencing at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Reeve: Len Palmer
Councillors: Ellen Symington, Rich Kowalski, Matt Arend
 Martin Cammer, Neil Palmer and Steven Barlow
 Foreman, Steven Low and Administrator, Michelle Bublish and
 Yvonne (Bonny)Goodsman

- 194/24 Call to Order:** Len Palmer: That as a quorum is present, this meeting is called to order. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 195/24 Agenda:** Ellen Symington: That the agenda be adopted as amended:
Under Public Works add:
 4. *Weed Management* **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- There is no conflict of interest declared at this time regarding agenda items.**
- 196/24 Minutes:** Neil Palmer: That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on August 8, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. be hereby approved as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- Bonny Goodsman discussed potential project on Skudesnes and available RIRG funding.**
- 197/24 Road:** Neil Palmer: That council instruct Administration to begin investigating potential rebuild of Skudesnes Road. Further, SaskPower, Dept of Highways, CATPC, and ratepayers should be contacted. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 198/24 RIRG:** Martin Cammer: That Council agrees that the municipality has no projects at this time that would qualify for RIRG funding. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 199/24 Investments:** Matt Arend: That Council authorizes Administrator to reinvest the investments coming due in September, once rates have been determined. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 200/24 Corresp:** Martin Cammer: That the correspondence be acknowledged as received and accepted as presented and be filed.
- 1) SMHI – 2024 Scholarship recipients
 - 2) SARM – New President
 - 3) Town of Davidson – Newsletter 2023 Stat of Operations
 - 4) SARM News Release - Pharmacy Expansion Services for Rural SK
 - 5) Davidson Library – Sept Meeting Minutes & reports
 - 6) Dana Skoropad – Fall Newsletter
 - 7) Rural Dart – Sept 17/24
 - 8) APAS Update
 - 9) Plant Health Network – Fall Newsletter
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 201/24 Financials:** Ellen Symington: That the Accounts Paid and Employee Payroll Summary for the month of August 2024 be hereby approved as presented and are attached to and form part of these minutes. Further, Statement of Financial Activity Report for August 2024 be accepted as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 202/24 Bank Recs:** Matt Arend: That Bank Reconciliation for the month of August 2024 be accepted as presented. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 203/24 A/P:** Ellen Symington: That Accounts Payable, Employee Bi-Weekly Payroll Summary and the Council Indemnity for the month of September 2024 be approved for payment and are attached to and form part of these minutes. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- Steven Low presented the Foreman’s Report**
- 204/24 Review:** Steven Barlow: That a meeting be schedule between seasonal operator, Foreman, Reeve and Administrator, to discuss performance review. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Councillor Arend left the meeting at 2:52 pm and returned at 2:54 pm.

- 205/24 Report: Len Palmer: That council accepts the Foreman Report as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 206/24 Seasonal: Matt Arend: That council confirm that seasonal operator, D. Stoian has successfully completed his 3-month probationary period. Further, that council authorize a wage increase to \$26.00 per hour effective September 9/24.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Councillor Arend presented a report regarding weed management plan discussion with concerned ratepayer.**

- 207/24 Report: Neil Palmer: That the weed management report be accepted as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 208/24 Bylaw: Neil Palmer: That Bylaw No. 02 of 2024 being a bylaw to enter into an agreement to purchase, excavate, stockpile and remove gravel on NW 13-28-29 W2 be read a first time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 209/24 Bylaw: Rich Kowalski: That Bylaw No. 02 of 2024 being a bylaw to enter into an agreement to purchase, excavate, stockpile and remove gravel on NW 13-28-29 W2 be read a second time.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 210/24 Bylaw: Ellen Symington: That Bylaw No. 02 of 2024 being a bylaw to enter into an agreement to purchase, excavate, stockpile and remove gravel on NW 13-28-29 W2 be given a third reading at this meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 211/24 Bylaw: Martin Cammer: That Bylaw No. 02 of 2024 being a bylaw to enter into an agreement to purchase, excavate, stockpile and remove gravel on NW 13-28-29 W2 be read a third time and adopted.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 212/24 CTP: Neil Palmer: That council authorize Reeve and Administrator to sign and submit annual CTP Statutory Declaration.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 213/24 SARM Conv.: Steven Barlow: That discussion regarding SARM Mid-Term Convention be deferred to October meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 214/24 CCBF: Ellen Symington: That council authorize Reeve and Administrator to sign and submit CCBF agreement as presented.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 215/24 ORC: Martin Cammer: That council authorize hiring Doug Mills for the ORC contract attendant position for the remainder of the 2024 season with the wage being \$16.50 per hour.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 216/24 Adjourn: Len Palmer: That this meeting be adjourned at 3:42 p.m. and the next meeting of council is scheduled for Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the R.M. Office, Davidson, SK.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve

Administrator